

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Claims:

4. The method of [one of] claim[s] 1[-3], wherein said oligonucleotide is a homopolymer comprising at least one nucleotide modification.

13. The method according to [one of] claim[s] 5 [to 12], wherein an enzyme capable of RNA-dependent DNA polymerization is used for said first strand synthesis.

19. The method of claim[s] 16, [17 or 18,] wherein said oligonucleotide is a homopolymer.